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Dear Respiratory Therapy Program Applicants,

As our society and the college are dealing with the effects of COVID-19 we have had to make a great deal of adjustments in a short period of time. The Respiratory Therapy program has re-evaluated the program curriculum and made changes to the way courses are delivered. After assessing the current environment we have made the following changes to the educational plan for the next class of Respiratory Therapy students:

1. The start date for the program has been delayed. Instead of starting in fall 2020 the program will begin the next class in winter 2021 (January 4, 2021).
2. In order to comply with policies set forth by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, we have had to limit the number of students accepted into the program this year. That number is still to be determined.
3. Some courses will continue to be distance learning courses, perhaps even some lab courses.
4. Orientation will be held on October 28th from 2:30 – 4:30 pm via Zoom. A meeting link will be sent to provisionally accepted students and alternates at a later date.

Even with all of these changes, the expected graduation date for this class will still be June 2022. The exact day and time of Respiratory Therapy courses is still to be determined. However, the approximate number of units per semester will be as follows:

Winter 2021	– 5 units	Fall 2021	– 12 units
Spring 2021	– 13 units	Winter 2022	– 4 units
Summer 2021	– 4 units	Spring 2022	– 12 units

This letter has been sent to all Respiratory Therapy program applicants whose applications are complete, receipt of this letter does not indicate acceptance into the program. If you have questions about the application process or your place on the waiting list, contact Yen Hang at yhang@mtsac.edu. If you no longer want to enter the program due to the schedule changes or any other reason, inform Yen Hang as soon as possible. If you have any other questions about the program or the profession, contact Kelly Coreas at kcoreas@mtsac.edu.

Sincerely,

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